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## School band's trip to N.Y. going ahead

**INFLUENZA** Bishop Carroll High School band and choir members scheduled for a trip to the Big Apple today will travel to the city after all.

"Parents of Bishop Carroll band students that are scheduled to go have decided to proceed with the New York trip as planned," Janet Sutherland of the Calgary Catholic School board told Metro late last night after a meeting with parents. "It was overwhelming support that the trip go ahead as planned."

The trip was in limbo with the outbreak of human swine influenza, and reports of dozens of cases in the New York City area.

Parent will be required to sign consent forms.

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## Best dog in show the key



A petition by St. Francis High School students has swelled to 800 signatures, asking the school board to lift a ban on bringing skateboards to school. The board told Metro the issue would not be debated, despite the petition's support.

# 800 students petition to end skateboard ban

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**BOARD** Hundreds of students at a northwest high school have signed a petition protesting the board's decision to ban skateboards from the property.

St. Francis High School students are upset the decision means they are not allowed to ride their skateboards to or from school because they can't store them in their locker.

"It helped me get here a lot quicker. Now I'm not allowed to ride here so I have to find other ways," Grade 10 student Colin Reitberger

said.

Student Dillon Redwin, 17, doesn't ride a skateboard but said he will be signing the petition in support of other students who do.

"I just don't think it's fair they can tell you how you can or cannot get to school. A lot of people use it as a means of transportation and now they can't," he said.

But student Melanie Smith said most students didn't take their skateboards to school even when it was allowed.

"They are just making it a big deal for no reason," she said.

Calgary Catholic School board spokesperson Janet Sutherland said the policy has already been in place for some time and isn't restricted to St. Francis High School.

"The policy is in place for student's safety, not because the skateboard can be a weapon as reported," she said. "We have had instances where students have gotten hurt riding skateboards."

Sutherland said the decision is not up for debate despite the 800 name petition.

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# Swine flu confirmed in Alberta

## Pair of men have recovered

JEFF CUMMINGS  
Metro Canada

**Medical staff are closely monitoring the families and contacts of two Alberta men who had mild cases of swine flu after spending some time in Mexico, confirmed Alberta's top doctor yesterday.**

Dr. Andre Corriveau, Alberta's chief medical officer, says the two individuals, one from Calgary and the other from northern Alberta, have recovered from their illnesses and both were never hospitalized.

"They are being monitored for the onset of illness," said Corriveau about Alberta's first two cases of swine influenza during a news conference. Corriveau said both individuals were seen by medical staff within a couple of days after arriving, but no word has been made on where they were in Mexico.

"We became aware of the cases late (Monday) night and we had to take some time to make sure patients were notified," said Corriveau.

"(This) doesn't really change much with what we are doing. Our system is still in high alert. The fact we were able to identify those cases shows that our system is working well."

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Since both men did not show any significant symptoms of the virus, there was no need for medical staff to quarantine them or their families, said Corriveau.

"There is no reason to keep them from normal life," said Corriveau.

The doctor said both individuals showed mild cases that were similar to others seen in Nova Scotia, British Columbia, Ontario and across the United States.

"If the issue escalates, I can assure you it will be a top priority for government and we will find the money," said Premier Ed Stelmach to reporters yesterday.

"Whatever the resources the medical officer needs, they will be provided."

Alberta Health Services says it received 5,000 calls to its toll-free health link line Monday, which is higher than the 3,000 daily average.

Corriveau says many are calling with questions about the virus and he reminds people to wash their hands and to cough in their sleeves to prevent the illness from spreading.

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City police are hoping a Crime Stoppers re-enactment yesterday will help catch the killer of 37-year-old Tara Landgraf, who was stabbed to death on a Ramsay street on Aug. 5, 2007. Police believe she knew her attacker and are looking for information. **METRO CALGARY**

# Local



## Calgary drops spot in city survey

Calgary has slipped to No. 26 in the annual Mercer Quality of Living survey — down one spot from last year — for the first time in six years. Calgary falls behind Vancouver, Montreal, Toronto and Ottawa for Canadian cities, but still ranks ahead of any U.S. city on the 215-city list.

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## Bars step up for safety

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**Armed with surveillance cameras and Bar Watch stickers, various Calgary bars are ramping up security in their establishments.**

The Calgary Bar Watch Association for Patron Safety launched the new initiative yesterday that is joining 20 bars, pubs and nightclubs with Calgary police in an effort to make city bars safer, according to co-founder and Melrose Café & Bar owner Wayne Leong.

"Calgary is a big city now with over a million people, and it's important a big city like us has a program like

this in place to ensure patron safety and enjoyment," Leong said.

Members of the group will be required to install closed-circuit surveillance cameras in the front and back entrances of their establishments, as well as put the Bar Watch sticker on their front doors.

"We want people to feel safe and enjoy their experiences at our bars, and we hope this will deter those who wish to commit crimes and misbehave from coming in," Leong added.

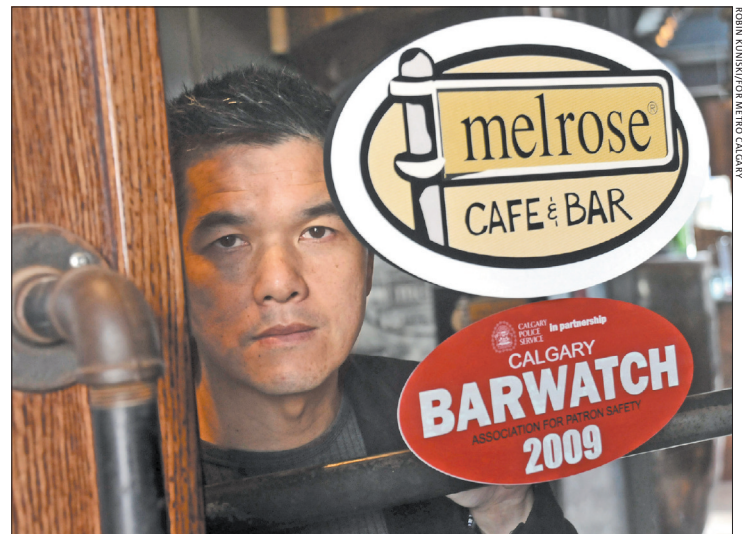
Calgary police Supt. Trevor Daroux said the initiative's goal is to target gangs and criminals committing crimes in and around Calgary's nightlife.

"Calgary bars are already safe but with the Bar Watch program, bars will be even safer," he added.

The \$1,000 annual cost is well worth it, according to Concorde Entertainment vice-president Brian Lee. Concorde owns the Whiskey, Flames Central, Mercury and Bungalow.

"I think this will not only make bars safer for patrons, but for staff, too. And it's not a matter of immediate need but constant need to keep establishments safe with the growing population."

Critics say program is an unnecessary invasion of privacy; VIDEO at [metronews.ca/local](http://metronews.ca/local)



Wayne Leong, owner of Melrose Café & Bar, put up Bar Watch stickers in his windows to let people know that his security will be actively on the lookout for anyone threatening the safety of patrons.

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About 50 people protested across from city hall yesterday.

## Protesters seek aid for Tamils

**CONFLICT** "Obama, help us, Obama" — that was the chant Calgarians may have heard from protesters across from city hall yesterday morning.

About 50 people protested with signs and chants asking for U.S. President

Barack Obama to step in against the genocide of the Tamils in Sri Lanka.

"We just want people to know a ceasefire was called and people are still dying. We need government help," protest co-ordinator Ajay Selva said.

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## Grease those chains for Friday

**LEG POWER** Calgarians are invited to throw on a helmet, set aside the keys and hop on a bike for the city's third annual Bike to Work Day on May 1.

Bike enthusiast and organizer Lonny Balbi said he

hopes the event is bigger and better than ever.

Mayor Dave Bronconnier dubbed the day Bike to Work Day in an effort for the city to reduce pollution and traffic congestion.

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## News in brief

**MOURNING** The number of deaths on Alberta job sites has increased 34 per cent over the last three years, totalling 166 deaths this year alone. One hundred and sixty-six hard hats were laid out on the grass in front of city hall yesterday during an annual ceremony to mourn the deaths.

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What's online today.

**Video** A failure to adapt to a changing market led to the demise of Pontiac at [metronews.ca/canada](http://metronews.ca/canada)

**Videos** Nova Scotians look set to head to the polls as minority Tories clash with the opposition on the economy at [metronews.ca/canada](http://metronews.ca/canada)  
**Blogs** Hollywood Rants about lesser-known superheroes that deserve the Hollywood treatment



**Bus assault prompts safety concerns**

There are renewed concerns for the safety of bus drivers after a Coast Mountain Bus Company operator was forcefully shoved in North Vancouver. The assault happened after the driver confronted a skateboarder trying to ride the bumper of a bus on Friday. **METRO CANADA**

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# Canada



## Jeweller bucks economic trend

A Winnipeg-based business is bucking the downward trend in these tough economic times. Ben Moss Jewellers is opening seven new stores this year — two in Alberta and five in Ontario. Winnipegger Brent Trepel, the company's CEO, said real estate opportunities have arisen in some cities that are just too hard to resist.

CBC NEWS ONLINE

# Masking flu fight

Canadian-designed facemask catches attention

**A designed-in-Canada facemask, borne out of the 2003 SARS crisis, is catching the attention of governments and health-care institutions from around the world as fears of a pandemic continue to soar.**

Toronto-based FaceSeal Technologies is already working with officials in Mexico, and is fielding requests for its next-generation facemasks from Israel, Germany, Korea and the Philippines. Hospitals, EMS and other front-line services in Canada and the U.S. are also interested in the facemask.

"We are trying to rev up production as quickly as possible because we are getting so many demands," said Dr. Gabor Lantos, a co-inventor of the facemask and director of personal protective equipment development at FaceSeal Technologies.

The form-fitting facemask, technically called a respirator and dubbed FitSeal, adheres to the face without the need for elastic bands and completely seals off the nose and mouth. Lantos said FitSeal is designed to better

protect front-line workers from airborne infectious disease, including influenza.

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Governments dealing with swine flu are taking notice of a facemask borne out of the 2003 SARS crisis.



TORSTAR FILE PHOTO

## Vancouver Swine flu spreads



Dr. Danuta Skowronski of the British Columbia Centre for Disease Control announces a third case of swine flu in the province during a news conference in Vancouver yesterday. The number of confirmed cases in Canada now stands at 13.

## Family of violence victims meet

**EDMONTON** A 14-kilogram boulder aimed at a school bus was hurled off a Whitemud Drive overpass in Edmonton, killing Robert Stanley instantly.

"Why?" was the question Bruce Stanley asked when he stared into the eyes of his father's killer.

"I finally found out what remorse was all about," he said. Robert Stanley was killed in June 2002.

People shattered by violent crime met yesterday at Edmonton's Grant MacEwan College, sharing how restorative justice helped them heal.

VICTORIA HANDSIDES/  
METRO CANADA

## News in brief

**POLITICS** In his latest book, True Patriot Love, Liberal Leader Michael Ignatieff describes growing up in a

Canadian household with parents who believed "life was elsewhere." "This is how it is in small countries and provincial

societies everywhere in the world," Ignatieff writes of his home life as a child.

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Russian President Dmitry Medvedev fired Moscow's police chief yesterday, a day after an off-duty senior officer killed three civilians, the Kremlin said. The head of a Moscow police station, Denis Yevsyukov, opened fire in a supermarket after having a violent argument with his wife and father-in-law at his birthday party, police said. **REUTERS**

# World



## Obama requests \$1.5B for flu

U.S. President Barack Obama asked congressional leaders for an additional \$1.5 billion yesterday to enhance the U.S. response to the swine flu outbreak. White House spokesman Robert Gibbs said the funds could be used to build up antiviral stockpiles, develop a vaccine, support the U.S. public-health response to the outbreak and help international organizations stem its spread. **REUTERS**

## Deadly flu's reach widens

**New swine flu infections were found around the world yesterday and the specter of a pandemic began to hit the travel industry as governments warned people to stay away from Mexico, where 159 people have died.**

The United States said it now had 68 cases of swine flu. New cases were also confirmed in Israel and New Zealand, while Scotland and Spain currently have two confirmed.

The United States, Canada and the European Union advised people to avoid non-essential travel to Mexico, and Cuba suspended all flights to and from Mexico for 48 hours.

Mexico has shut all schools across the country

### No origins yet

• Keiji Fukuda, the World Health Organization's acting assistant director-general, said it was too early to pinpoint the origins of the virus, and that there was still no solid explanation for why cases in Mexico have been more severe than in other countries.

until at least May 6 and in the capital, restaurants, bars, cinemas and stadiums have been ordered closed to limit new infections.

The World Health Organization said a pandemic is not yet inevitable but that countries should prepare for the worst, especially poorer nations. **REUTERS**

### Civil rights Truth in Washington



U.S. first lady Michelle Obama unveils a bust of 19th-century civil and women's rights activist Sojourner Truth in Washington yesterday. Obama spoke of her own ancestors' rise from slavery as she discussed the legacy of Truth, who gave her signature "Ain't I a woman?" speech at a women's rights convention in 1851.

## Pakistan begins offensive against Taliban militants

**RAWALPINDI** Pakistani forces backed by jets and helicopter gunships began an offensive yesterday against Taliban fighters in a valley just 100 kilometres northwest of Islamabad, part of a new campaign to halt the rapid advance of the militant Islamists.

Military spokesman Maj. Gen. Athar Abbas said he expected it would take up to a week to clear an estimated 500 militants from the Buner district, the latest target of an operation launched on Sunday.

The Taliban's creeping advances across Malakand have raised alarm in Washington that militants were zeroing in on Islamabad and have stoked fears the country was on the verge of sliding into chaos.

Pakistan's President Asif Ali Zardari agreed this month to impose Islamic sharia law in Malakand in a vain bid to persuade the Taliban in Swat to lay down their arms. Instead, emboldened by the concessions, Taliban fighters began spreading. **REUTERS**

### News in brief

**PIRATES** A Russian warship captured a suspected pirate vessel with 29 people on board, Russian news agencies reported yesterday. The Admiral Panteleyev anti-submarine ship seized the vessel 24 kilo-

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# Comment & Views

## Comment

# Moralists eye Craigslist

## TheWestView

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Craigslist founder Craig Newmark was in Vancouver yesterday, but on the advice of his lawyers, he kept a low profile. So he cancelled all his media interviews and confined his remarks to the Mortgage Brokers Association of British Columbia, a comparatively safe crowd. The reason? An alleged serial stalker/killer has managed to do what his newspaper competitors have failed to do: Put Newmark on the defensive.

Prosecutors think a Boston University medical student, Philip Markoff, stalked women who

placed erotic ads on Craigslist, and accuse him of killing one of his victims, 25-year-old Julissa Brisman, who advertised her, um, massage services on the site.

And that has brought out the moralists in force. Newmark now faces a lawsuit in Illinois, and if the rhetoric favoured by the Cook County sheriff is any indication, Newmark is in big trouble: "Craigslist is the largest single source of prostitution in the nation," he growled, quoted in Computerworld.

Then there's the usual gang of people who start with "P": Police, psychologists, pundits, all of whom believe the Internet, never mind just Craigslist, is not a safe place to go 24/7, never mind after dark.

Newmark, who still runs Craigslist with a small band of dedicated webbies out of a house in San Francisco, comes across as an

Internet idealist who harkens back to the days when it was the domain of a few harmless geeks who thought they had a better idea: Free classifieds. But he's clearly a threat, if not to children, runaways, etc., then to the newspapers of the world.

Recently, for example, I advertised my car on Craigslist. I could keep the ad up there as long as I liked — for nothing. I received numerous inquiries from all over Metro Vancouver, and finally sold the car to a happy customer who lived four blocks away, who, despite the proximity, would have remained a complete stranger if not for Craigslist. The same ad in one of Vancouver's daily newspapers would have cost more than \$100 a month, which is why classified ad lines are down and Canwest is consolidating its classified ad

desk in ... Calgary. I'm just surprised the Aspers don't move the whole thing to Mumbai, where it's still possible to be a millionaire for a few more weeks.

So Newmark is not going to get a lot of sympathy in the media. Except here. It seems to me if he has to shut down his erotic ads, all the traditional media who continue to subsist desperately on their own erotic ad sections will have to do the same.

But that's not good enough. There are still plenty of homicidal perverts lurking in the shadows cast by bricks and mortar ... and trees. So, just to be safe, let's shut down the bars, the schoolyards and the parks.

That should do it.

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**Canad Inns backs out of Winnipeg water park plans**  
Hospitality company Canad Inns has pulled the plug on its planned indoor water park in Winnipeg. The city, however, is still interested in building the attraction. **CBC NEWS ONLINE**

# Business

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## Mexico trips halted

**Thousands of Canadians could have their holiday plans disrupted as tour operators cancel Mexico bookings over the next month in the wake of the widening swine flu outbreak.**

Montreal-based Transat AT Inc., Canada's largest tour operator, said yesterday it is "postponing" flights from Canada to Mexico operated by Transat and its partner airlines until June 1.

However, the seller of packaged holidays will

### Ships stopped

• Carnival Cruise Lines said it had cancelled Mexico stops yesterday for three of its cruise ships due to the swine flu alert.

maintain its schedule of return flights, and will be adding new flights to bring home customers.

Air Canada and Air Canada Vacations are also suspending flights to Cancun, Cozumel and Puerto Vallarta

until June 1 due to the outbreak.

The airline will maintain service to Mexico City, and flights to Cancun, Cozumel and Puerto Vallarta will continue until May 4 to bring home passengers.

Similarly, Sunquest Vacations said yesterday it was cancelling trips until June 4, giving passengers the option to rebook to other destinations, while Sunwing Vacations has cancelled all trips until May 29.

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### Business in brief

**ENERGY** Petro-Canada reported a first-quarter loss yesterday on plunging oil and natural gas prices. The company lost \$47 million, or 10 cents a share, down from a profit of

\$1.08 billion, or \$2.22 a share, in the year-earlier quarter.

**EI** The number of people receiving regular Employment Insurance benefits in February increased by 7.8 per cent from

the month before, according to Statistics Canada. Alberta experienced the strongest increase, with more than 6,000 additional people on EI in February. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**

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**Penguins promote interim coach**

The Pittsburgh Penguins appointed Dan Bylsma as head coach yesterday after his successful two-month stint as interim coach. **REUTERS**

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# Sports

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Boyd Gordon of the Washington Capitals battles for the puck with Aaron Voros of the New York Rangers last night in Washington. The Capitals won 2-1.

## Capitals, Hurricanes win pair of thrillers

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**2009 Playoffs**

**Sergei Fedorov's tally with just under five minutes left in regulation was the difference as the Washington Capitals posted a 2-1 victory over the New York Rangers in Game 7 of their first-round Eastern Conference series in Washington last night.**

Alexander Semin notched the other goal for the Capitals, who responded with three consecutive wins to take the series 4-3.

It marked just the second time in team annals that the club won a playoff

series after trailing three games to one, following a Game 7 overtime victory in the 1988 Patrick Division semifinals against the Flyers.

The second-seeded Capitals will face the fourth-seeded Penguins in the second round.

Simeon Varlamov continued his stellar play in his first taste of the post-season, stopping 14-of-15 shots for Washington, which hadn't taken a playoff series dating back to a six-game triumph over Buffalo in the 1998 Eastern Conference finals.

Nik Antropov provided the lone score for the Rangers, who failed to ad-

vance despite a 3-1 series edge for the first time in franchise playoff history.

**Hurricanes 4 Devils 3**

Jussi Jokinen and Eric Staal scored 48 seconds apart in the final 80 seconds of regulation to lead the Carolina Hurricanes to a stunning 4-3 victory over the New Jersey Devils in the decisive Game 7 of their first round Eastern Conference series in Newark, N.J.

Tuomo Ruutu and Ray Whitney also scored for Carolina, which entered the third period with a 3-2 deficit, but erupted late to shock the Devils.

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NBA

**2009 Playoffs****Celtics win in OT**

**ADVANTAGE** Paul Pierce's jumper with 3.4 seconds left in overtime last night gave Boston the lead as the Boston Celtics claimed a 106-104 victory over the Chicago Bulls and a 3-2 series advantage.

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Denver Nuggets guard Chauncey Billups claimed the Joe Dumars Trophy presented to 2008-09 NBA Sportsmanship Award winner, the league announced yesterday. The award is given annually to the player who represents the NBA in all phases of sportsmanship, including ethical behaviour, fair play and integrity. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**



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# Canada dominates pool play

Jason Spezza scored a pair of goals to lead Canada to a 7-3 win over Slovakia yesterday in the final game of Group A play at the 2009 World Hockey Championship.

Shea Weber added a goal and three assists for the Canadians, who wrapped up the preliminary round with a record of 3-0 and outscored their opponents 22-4. Steven Stamkos chipped in a goal and an assist in the victory, while Derek Roy, Ian White and Shane Doan also scored.

Martin St. Louis chipped in four helpers while Dwayne Roloson made 34 saves for Canada, which



Canada's Shea Weber, from left, Derek Roy, Dany Heatley, Martin St. Louis and Jason Spezza celebrate a first-period goal on Slovakia yesterday during the World Hockey Championship in Zurich.

will play next in the qualification round.

Slovakia, despite a

record of 1-1-1, also advanced to the qualification round from Group A, as the top three teams move on. Belarus also advanced from Group A after a 3-1 win over Hungary.

Roy, Doan and Spezza scored power-play goals in the first period for Canada and the rout was on. After Tomas Surovy scored for Slovakia just 6:05 into the second period, White answered just over 3½ minutes later and the Canadians tacked on power-play goals from Weber and

## Russians win pool

• In Group B play, Russia notched a 4-2 win over Switzerland to finish atop the standings with a perfect mark of 3-0. Ilya Kovalchuk notched a goal and two assists in the victory for the defending champion Russians, who swept their three games by a combined score of 16-4.

Stamkos later in the period for a 6-1 cushion.

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# Metro Drive

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## Romancing the hatch

Mitsubishi introduces Sportback versions of Lancer

**PETER BLEAKNEY**  
for Metro Canada



**You can't accuse Mitsubishi of bad timing. With auto buyers reportedly seeking smaller and more efficiently packaged vehicles to perform the daily chores, this seems a good time as any to introduce a hatchback ... er, sportback version of the compact Lancer sedan.**

The numbers certainly support this. While Canadian compact four-door

sales were up 7.6 per cent in 2008 over the previous year, compact five-door sales increased 14.4 per cent. Think Subaru Impreza hatchback, Toyota Matrix, VW Rabbit, Mazda3 Sport, Honda Fit, Dodge Caliber and Pontiac Vibe.

Joining this party is the 2009 Lancer Sportback, currently arriving in Mitsubishi showrooms. It comes in two trim levels: the front-wheel-drive GTS starting at \$23,498 and the all-wheel-drive Ralliart that

The 2009 Lancer Sportback is available in two trims: the GTS and the Ralliart.



bows at \$33,498. Both cars roll on 18-inch wheels, are mechanically identical to their four-door counterparts, and carry a price premium of \$500.

The Lancer sedan is a handsomely chiseled piece, and this hatch version expands on those good looks.

The Lancers' hatch takes up a large swath of real es-

tate, stretching from the top of the back bumper to just beyond the heads of the rear seat passengers. Lift over height is low, and with the 60/40 rear seats folded, the nearly flat load space expands cargo volume from 390 to 1320 litres in the Ralliart, and up to 435 to 1492 litres in the GTS, thanks to a clever

dual height adjustable cargo floor that drops 90 mm.

The GTS is powered by an all-aluminum 2.4L four that generates 168 hp and 167 lb.-ft. of torque at 4100 r.p.m.

The Ralliart Sportback ramps up the performance (and price) considerably, not at all shy about its junior-Evo status.

## Electrifying kit

Leo Motors, a U.S. and Korea-based company, has come up with a kit that can be used in any type of small to midsize vehicle platform, and can convert them to electric vehicles for real-world use for both highway and city traffic, Canadian Driver reports. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**

### 2009 Mitsubishi Lancer GTS Sportback/Ralliart Sportback

**Type:** Compact hatchback  
**Price:** \$23,498/\$33,498  
**Engine:** 2.4L four/2.0L turbocharged four  
**HP/Torque:** 168 hp; 167 lb.-ft./237 hp, 253 lb.-ft.

#### Highlights

- Expands on the sedan's good looks
- Fun to drive

### AutoPilot

**Michael Goetz**

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## It's all about the best in show

### Paws and Claws

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In a competition of looks,  
grace and genetics, dogs  
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Indeed, dog shows are serious as the pups (and their owners) strut their stuff in the spirit of competition.

At a recent show taking place in the small town of Fergus, Ont., some competitors brought dogs from cities hundreds of kilometres away or even across the U.S. border and judges converged from as far away as Manitoba, Texas and Brazil.

Edgar Bajona, show chair of the Fergus show, says the tension and competitive spirit at shows is palpable as



Handlers show off their dogs for the judges.

owners vie for glory.

"It's a tense time — you hope your dog is going to win and the thrill of victory is huge," Edgar said.

Judging standards are developed by breeders and codified by organizations like the Canadian Kennel Club and detailed specifics are put out on things like the shape of the dog's teeth, colour of its hair, its general appearance, how it walks and even its temperament.

Geraldine Taylor, 71, has worked as a judge at dog

shows for 30 years and says that a love for dogs is crucial to remain successful as a judge.

"There's no perfect dog. You have to try and find the one that matches the standard most closely and there's always more than one good dog in the ring. It isn't an exact science," Taylor said.

Dog handler Christine Tochor, 23, handles dogs part-time for clients and says good handlers have to forge a meaningful bond with the

dogs they handle.

"The dogs trust a lot in the handler, so you have to learn how to have a relationship with a dog," she said.

A love for dogs got her interested in handling but a fiercely competitive spirit is what keeps her coming back.

"I like to compete and I like to try and win. I'm certainly not here to lose, that's for sure!" Tochor joked. She was at the show to compete with her mother's Great Pyrenees, Ace.

As dog handlers scrambled to and from one of the judging rings at the show, Tochor emerged with Ace's leash — and a Best of Breed medal ribbon — in hand.

"We won!" she said.

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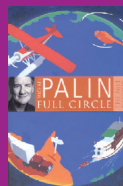


# Historical treasure

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## Michael Palin, continued

Beloved ex-Monty Pythonite Michael Palin has made it big in the adventure travel realm, what with six TV travel series and an equal number of books under his belt. His bestselling book *Full Circle*, the story of a year spent journeying through 18 countries on the perimeter of the world's largest ocean, is being republished next month by McArthur & Company. METRO NEWS SERVICES

# A taste for Tunisia

North African country offers a wide range of landscapes

ROMINA McGUINNESS  
Metro World News

**Move over Morocco — we've developed a taste for Tunisia.** While the former destination may be something of a default for travellers looking to take in the sights and sounds of North Africa, Tunisia can offer an amazingly diverse variety of experiences.

Visitors can find everything from the hubbub of markets to the glitz of a high-society seaside resort and the eerie desert landscapes that formed an otherworldly backdrop for *Star Wars*.

Start your visit in the capital, Tunis, a melting pot of African culture. The pavements are busy with men who sit weaving jasmine petals into tight bunches — which locals wear behind the ear — and lined with European-style shops and cafés.

Avenue Habib Bourguiba, reminiscent of Paris' Champs Élysées, is home to some superb eateries, including the Café de Paris. This colonial haunt has a terrace designed for people-watching and serves the capital's best coffee. Make sure to include an afternoon visit to the Bardo Museum, which offers a look at some of the world's most valuable Roman mo-



A view from the romantic blue-and-white village of Sidi Bou Said, Tunisia.

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On the outskirts of Tunis is the Phoenician city of Carthage. This world heritage site has incredible historical remnants and architecture, from archaic amphitheatres through crumbling Roman ruins. It's a mystical place that provides the perfect backdrop for a dynamic music scene — the amphitheatre often doubles up as a concert stage.

The romantic blue and white village of Sidi Bou Said was once a pilgrimage site and has since been favoured by bohemian intellectuals who come to discuss art and politics over tea or dinner.

The village is perched on

the hilltops, and local cafés have the best views over the bay of Tunis, providing you with the perfect excuse to lounge on the terraces and drink orange-blossom-infused Turkish coffee.

Then head southwards down the coast to the seaside town of Hammamet. Twenty years ago this fishing village was home to kitsch seaside hotels and swamped by package vacation tourists.

Since then, the town's status as high-society's favourite address has risen as fast as August temperatures. This glitzy shore is basically the African equivalent to the French party town of St. Tropez.

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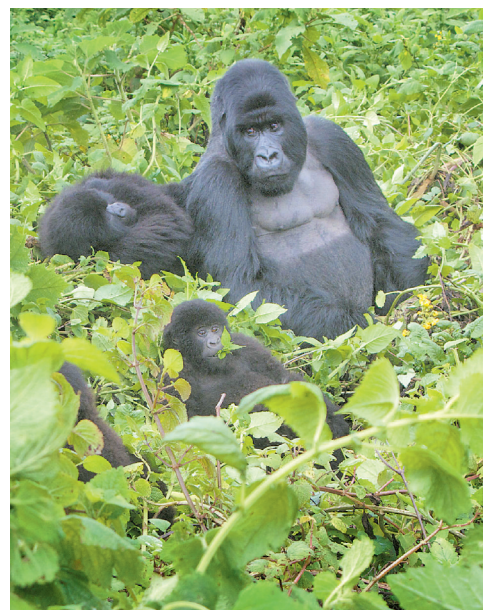
just 700 left on the planet, seeing them is something very special.

We were 8,000 feet up in Rwanda's Volcanoes National Park when our guides finally located them. Gasping in the thin mountain air, we'd clambered upwards for over an hour through thick, lush nettles, thistles and bamboo, when we emerged into a clearing and saw the Kwitonda family. It was a delightful scene — the giant silverback, his wives and babies, eating, preening and playing just feet away, seemingly unfazed by our presence.

Visiting time is limited to one hour a day and just eight visitors are allowed to meet each of the seven habituated gorilla families — so only 56 lucky tourists get to see them per day. This is to prevent these splendid primates from getting stressed or catching diseases. After all, they have 93 per cent of human DNA: They can get colds, just like us.

It was the American researcher Dian Fossey — whose work in Volcanoes National Park inspired the movie *Gorillas in the Mist* — who pioneered gorilla conservation here in the late 1960s. The ecotourism that arose from her project was going well until Rwanda became engulfed in tribal genocide exactly 15 years ago this month. Nearly a million people died in that brutal attempt at ethnic cleansing, horrific events I reported at the time as Sky News' Africa Correspondent.

Although roving militias and throngs of refugees encroached on gorilla habitat during those violent times, remarkably only one creature is known to have been killed. Soon after the new government sent army patrols to help park rangers protect the gorillas. Gorilla



Officials place strict limits on the number of visitors who may go to see the mountain gorillas on any given day.

tourism was able to restart in 1997 and has been growing ever since.

Rwanda's Tourism Ministry recently agreed to a trans-boundary conservation plan with Uganda and Congo — the two neighbouring countries where gorillas are also found.

Another major initiative has been community tourism, a joint venture between Rwanda's government and the private sector, backed by foreign NGOs, designed to plough money back into the local communities and improve their quality of life through better education and healthcare.

Returning after all these years, I was struck by the peaceful order of today's Rwanda. The genocide is not forgotten. Almost every village has its own memorial — the skulls in the window are a grim reminder of the past. But

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there is a determination to move forward as a united country, no longer divided by destructive tribalism.

Now the streets of this beautiful land in the heart of Africa are filled with the laughter of children — a new generation free from violence. And the welcome we were given couldn't have been warmer or more hospitable. Rwanda soon hopes to be known for its gorillas, not its genocide.

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## Swine flu delays movie premiere

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# Entertainment

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## Italian wedding

Hollywood couple Maggie Gyllenhaal and Peter Sarsgaard will marry in Italy in May, according to the New York Post. The pair has been dating since 2002, and have a daughter.

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# Wolverine takes a dark turn

Hugh Jackman sharpens claws for mutant role one more time

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**Hugh Jackman has made a career of leaping from genre to genre, proving he's just as adept in big, loud action films as he is singing and dancing on a Broadway stage — or even hosting the Oscars.**

But for most fans around the world, he's best known for the iconic role that made him famous in the first place: Wolverine.

It's a part he could have missed out on if he'd listened to his wife, who balked at the comic-book action in the pages sent over for Jackman's audition. "She put it down, saying,

"This is ridiculous. You were at the National Theatre with Sir Trevor Nunn. You can't be doing this," Jackman remembers with a laugh. "That's the only time she's ever been wrong, according to her."

Now, after three incredibly successful X-Men films that helped revive the comic book movie genre, the nearly indestructible mutant with the sour mood and the razor-sharp claws is getting his own movie, X-Men Origins: Wolverine, in theatres Friday. And even though he's stepping into the part for the fourth time, Jackman hasn't gotten tired of him.

In fact, it was Jackman's attachment to the character that encouraged him to also take on the role of producer. "I wanted to protect as much as I could the Logan that I saw," Jackman explains. "I thought he got



Hugh Jackman stars in his own superhero movie, X-Men Origins: Wolverine, in theatres Friday.

a bit soft by X-Men 3. I wanted to make him a little darker, keep a little more edge to him."

He also hasn't gotten tired of Wolverine's signature muttontops. "I'm so used to it now," he says. "Without it, I feel a bit weird. But you know, it's not a great look. You just look odd."

Wolverine has always been a pretty macho character, but it turns out Jackman was never satisfied with exactly how macho he was until this film. "I didn't want people to go, 'That guy looks like he works out,'" Jackman explains. "I wanted them to feel danger, power. I wanted him to be veiny, animalistic."

## Movie feature

To achieve the look, the actor spent a year in training, packing on pounds through weight-lifting, conditioning and eating. "I was eating for Australia," he jokes. "If it turns out that we should all be vegetarian and there's some kind of karmic debt to be paid for eating animals, I am some kind of gnat in the next life."

## Johnson to play porn director

**CASTING** Don Johnson will play a mustachioed porn director in *Born to Be a Star*. Nick Swardson stars in the film as a nerd who learns that his parents were famous porn stars in the 1970s. This motivates him to leave Iowa for Hollywood, hoping to follow in their footsteps.

Johnson plays a director who discovers Swardson and gives him a shot.

## In brief

**CASTING** Universal Pictures is resurrecting the 1991 comedy *Drop Dead Fred*, this time as a starring vehicle for comedian Russell Brand. The original starred Phoebe Cates as a wallflower who loses her job and husband. Forced to move back home, she's reunited with her childhood imaginary friend.

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## Kenya's Style

## Kenya Hunt

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## critics' corner

### Law & Order

After an illegal immigrant is found unconscious but still alive on a service road, Detectives Bernard and Lupo (Anthony Anderson, Jeremy Sisto) embark on a controversial investigation into a series of nine hate crimes against Hispanic men, reflecting a dangerous bias in the community. Linus Roache also stars in the new episode "Promote This!" 8 PM on ACCESS



### Stuck

The women's journey continues with a venture into yoga, whose emphasis on balance and the body-mind connection can only be good for them as they continue working to change their lives for the better. As they draw strength and inspiration from one another, one of them finds herself at a major turning point. 11 PM on W





Get Julia Roberts a bar of soap. At a Film Society of Lincoln Center event honouring Tom Hanks in NYC Monday, the *Duplicity* star, 41, dropped the F-bomb several times, *usmagazine.com* reports. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**

**Julia swears like a sailor?**

## Celebrity Buzz

# Jesus rides on Madonna's fame?

**CAREER** Marc Jacobs has reportedly joined the campaign for Madonna's toy boy, Jesus Luz to stay in the country, *femalefirst.co.uk* reports.

According to a New York Post source, Jacobs "wrote a letter of support for Jesus' work permit" to allow him to stay in the country. "Marc campaigned for Jesus, saying he is highly talented and a necessity to the label."

So maybe all those rumours about Jesus starring with Madonna in the new

Louis Vuitton campaign are true after all then?

If not, at least he has the new Dolce & Gabbana menswear campaign to fall back on, while persistent rumours float around that he only got that gig thanks to Madonna's connections.



A source told the Post: "All these fashion lines are hiring Jesus as a favour to Madonna. As long as he can legally work in the U.S., they can be together." However, Madonna's rep said she's

"not at all involved in managing the career of Jesus Luz. His Dolce job was arranged through his agents," and Madge hadn't asked anyone to help him.

According to *Gatecrasher*, Luz's fellow male models aren't so sure. At a recent catwalk event, "None of the other models would talk to Jesus or even look at him," a source says. "They were gossiping like catty girls about how they couldn't wait for his career to fizzle out."

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# Cop shows no mercy for Alba's driving ticket

**LEGAL** Actress Jessica Alba was pulled over by police in California last Friday for driving in the wrong direction down a one-way street, *femalefirst.co.uk* reports. A cop approached the *Fantastic Four* actress after she was spotted driving in the opposite way to the traffic flow in Santa Monica.

Alba reportedly

tried to talk her way out of being reprimanded for the blunder — but police still issued her with a ticket.

Before she drove away, paparazzi filmed the star joking with the officer, giggling and asking him, "So if I want to fight it (contest the ticket), do you have to show up in court? Wouldn't that be your lucky day?"



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## Liam coping well, pal says

**PEOPLE** Liam Neeson "is doing extremely well" in the wake of his wife Natasha Richardson's tragic death last month, the actor's pal, Aidan Quinn, tells *usmagazine.com*.

"He's very grateful for all the love and support he's gotten from across the globe and from so many people," Quinn told *Us* Friday at the NYC premiere of *The Eclipse*. "He's got a great family and a great support system of friends, and they're all doing as well as expected under the circumstances."

Neeson's two sons, Micheal, 13, and Daniel, 12, are also "doing amazingly well," Quinn added. "You know, I think these things take a long time to probably sink in. There's no timetable for it. So they're doing great."



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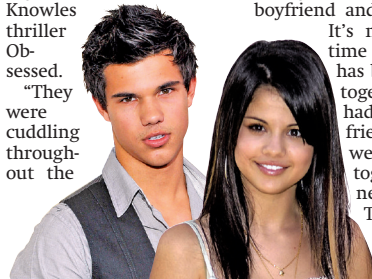
# Selena and Taylor's romance?

**RUMOUR** Selena Gomez and Taylor Lautner stepped out together in Vancouver over the weekend, sparking rumours that the Disney star and the *Twilight* hunk are more than just friends, *people.com* reports.

When they had a break from filming — him *New Moon* and her *Ramona and Beezus* — Lautner, 17, picked up Gomez, 16, at her hotel Saturday, and headed for dinner at the upscale Cactus Club in Coquitlam, B.C..

After dinner, they linked arms and walked to a nearby movie theatre to see the Beyoncé Knowles thriller *Obsessed*.

"They were cuddling throughout the



movie and sat very close together," says an onlooker. "(They were) definitely acting like they were boyfriend and girlfriend."

It's not the first time the couple has been spotted together. They had dinner with friends and were spotted together at a nearby café on Thursday.

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# JT forces tequila binge?

**PARTYING** Justin Timberlake forced girlfriend Jessica Biel to down shots of alcohol on the weekend, *femalefirst.co.uk* reports.

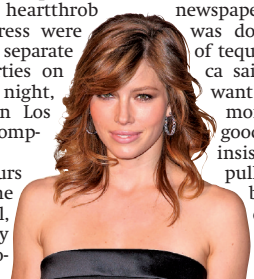
The pop heartthrob and the actress were guests at two separate birthday parties on Saturday night, both held in Los Angeles' Thompson Hotel.

A few hours into the evening Biel, 27, was ready to ditch alco-

hol for soft drinks, but 28-year-old Timberlake wanted to carry on frivolities.

One fellow reveller told the *New York Daily News* newspaper: "Everyone

was downing shots of tequila, but Jessica said she didn't want to drink anymore. Justin was good-naturedly insisted, so she pulled her hair back and drank up."



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# Spears' boyfriend OK

**CRASH** Good news for Casey Aldridge: Doctors at the University of Mississippi Medical Center in Jackson, Miss., said they plan to move the 19-year-old daughter Maddy, has boyfriend of Jamie Lynn Spears out of the intensive care unit as early as Monday, a source close to the family tells *People* magazine.

"They said it was borderline whether he needed surgery or not," says the source,

"but they've taken some scans and see no further damage."

Aldridge, the father of Spears' 10-month-old daughter Maddy, has been hospitalized with a head injury that he suffered when he flipped his F-250 pickup truck on the driver's side on a two-lane road in Louisiana at 1:30 a.m. Sunday.

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# Heidi loves married life

**MARRIAGE** Heidi Montag is so thrilled about being married to Spencer Pratt that she can't stop updating her Twitter about it.

On Sunday — the day after the couple's wedding — she posted several updates, including "Watching movies and relaxing — this has been the best day as a married

woman."

And the next morning, she posted "Wow, what a morning! Waking up with my husband is beyond words! I'm so excited I'm really married! Forever!"

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# Lindsay takes off on tropical break

**PEOPLE** Lindsay Lohan showed off her super slim bikini body in Hawaii over the weekend, *usmagazine.com* reports.

The actress — who is on vacation with a few of her pals — read a book and sent text message as she worked on her tan Saturday. On Sunday, she dropped thousands of dollars on Gucci and Louis Vuitton bags.

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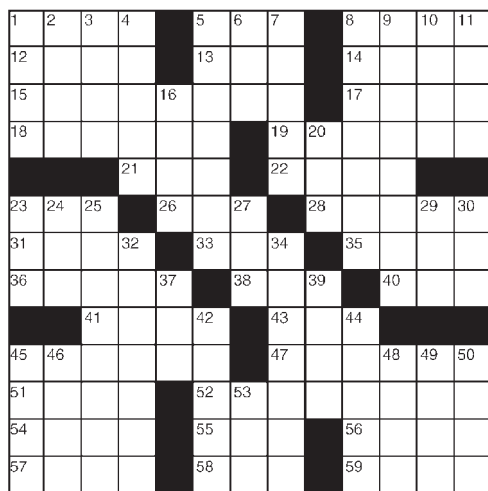


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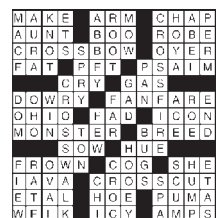
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- 18 All over the place
- 19 Steering lever
- 21 Roulette bet
- 22 Impale
- 23 Cauldron
- 26 Family room
- 28 Hotel offering
- 31 Historic times
- 33 Clergyman's address
- 35 See 34-Down
- 36 Anxiety
- 38 Durable wood
- 40 Pair on stage
- 41 Easter symbol
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- 45 Rancher
- 47 Vacillate
- 51 Botanical angle
- 52 Infinitely problem-free
- 54 Kelly or Wilder
- 55 Army member
- 56 Shrek is one
- 57 Make — meet
- 58 Shaft of light
- 59 Snatched

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- 30 Id counterpart
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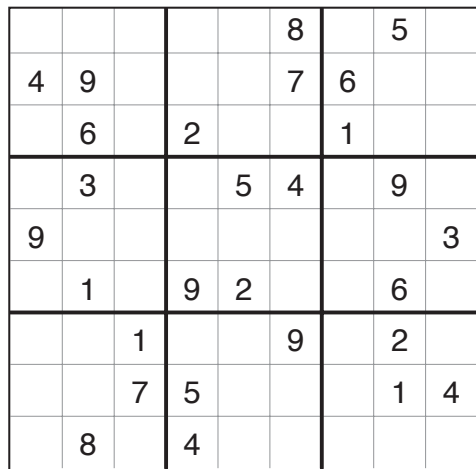
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17-21 min .....Smart  
21-25 min .....Not bad  
25+ min .....Keep practising

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**Metro Recipe of the Day**



**Emerald Risotto**

**INGREDIENTS:**

- 5 cups (1.25 L) vegetable stock, or 4 tbsp (60 ml) vegetable bouillon powder
- 5 tbsp (75 ml) white wine
- 1 pack baby spinach
- 4 tbsp (60 ml) virgin olive oil
- 1 small onion
- 2 cloves garlic
- 1 3/4 cups (425 ml) risotto rice
- Salt and black pepper
- Whole nutmeg for grating

**METHOD:**

1. Bring stock to boil in pot, or stir bouillon powder into 5 cups (1.25 L) boiling water. Add wine, reduce heat and simmer.
2. Rinse spinach leaves, chop roughly and set aside.
3. Heat oil in large pan or wok. Peel and finely chop onion and garlic and fry gently until soft but not brown, 2 minutes. Then add rice and stir-fry until

grains are translucent and coated with oil.

4. Add ladleful of stock, adjust heat to maintain gentle boil and stir until liquid is mostly absorbed. Keep adding stock, a ladleful at a time, and stir constantly until the rice is almost cooked, 15 minutes.
5. Add spinach and more stock and boil, stirring, until rice is cooked — risotto rice should retain a bite, but mixture should be of a soft, dropping consistency.
6. Season to taste with salt, pepper and some freshly grated nutmeg. Serve straight from pan.

**SERVES 4**

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**Horoscopes**

**ARIES**

**MARCH 21-APRIL 20**  
Strengthen your position by pointing out your leadership skills. A twist of fate damages morale. A woman won't work due to a quarrel.

**LIBRA**

**SEPT 23-OCT 23**  
A frightened person's character discourages attachment. Open your mind to see a different side of things. A clever accuser makes the rounds.

**TAURUS**

**APRIL 21-MAY 21**  
A wild person changes your mind. A sympathetic friend is available to promote your skills. See the humour when dealing with a faltering fool.

**SCORPIO**

**OCT 24-NOV 22**  
A man reveals his bad habits. A woman has a significant dream. Do the right thing to comfort and inspire others.

**GEMINI**

**MAY 22-JUNE 21**  
A new task is given to an enthusiastic job-hunter. Be ready to call about a machine. A loving guy is liberated after enduring terrible trouble.

**SAGITTARIUS**

**NOV 23-DEC 21**  
A strange form of insecurity may arise. Explain yourself when gossip incites unusual reactions. Joyful news magically appears.

**CANCER**

**JUNE 22-JULY 22**  
Something's gained when career plans stall. An illogical loss causes resentment and retaliation. An authority searches for a remedy.

**CAPRICORN**

**DEC 22-JAN 20**  
Get ready to follow your dreams. You'll be eager to move forward. Family issues are not your fault.

**LEO**

**JULY 23-AUG 23**  
Give due respect to an attendant. A new friend causes an inconvenience. A reality check disturbs others.

**AQUARIUS**

**JAN 21-FEB 18**  
Ruthlessness shouldn't be indulged. Restrain your temper with an overbearing person. Nostalgia grows when a younger person falls in love.

**VIRGO**

**AUG 24-SEPT 22**  
Deception interferes with your sense of purpose. Make amends by being honest. A health scare causes a discussion.

**PISCES**

**FEB 19-MARCH 20**  
A chirpy female's ironic remark defeats a plan. A lover's information may cause confusion. A miserable situation results from sadness.

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